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SUBJ: PROPOSED ADDITIONAL ST. CLAIR RIVER

INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE

REF: OTTAWA 2509, JULY 7, 1975; BLAKEMORE-O'CONNOR

TELECON JANUARY 6, 1976

1. MICHIGAN DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS MCCARTHY HAS RENEWED MID-1975 REQUEST ARRANGE MEETING DISCUSS ADDITIONAL BRIDGE ACROSS ST. CLAIR RIVER. HAS PROPOSED FEBRUARY 18, 20, 23, 24, 25 OR 26. MCPHEE (NEW SECRETARY OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES COMMITTEE, EXTAFF) IS AGREEABLE IN PRINCIPLE AND IS CIRCULATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS TO DETERMINE CONVENIENT DATE. TCO PLANS TO ATTEND. DEPARTMENT SHOULD ADVISE WHETHER WASHINGTON (ESPECIALLY DOT, FHWA) WISH TO BE INVOLVED.

2. BASIC QUESTION LIKELY TO BE FINANCIAL AS OUTLINED PARA. 4 REFTEL. ACCORDING TO MCCARTHY, SHOULD DECISION BE TAKEN TO UTILIZE SELF-LIQUIDATING BONDS MICHIGAN WOULD SET UP AUTHORITY TO DEAL WITH GOC'S BLUE RIVER BRIDGE COMMISSION AND NO INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT SHOULD BE REQUIRED. HOWEVER, MCCARTHY HOPES CONVINCE GOC FUND ITS PORTION OF BRIDGE FROM GENERAL REVENUES, IN WHICH CASE SOME FORM OF BILATERAL AGREEMENT AT FEDERAL LEVELS MIGHT BE NECESSARY.

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DEPARTMENT SHOULD ADVISE PRELIMINARY VIEW AS TO WHETHER

AUTHORITY-TO-AUTHORITY AGREEMENT LIKELY TO BE ADEQUATE,  
OR WHETHER TREATY/EXECUTIVE AGREEMENT NECESSARY. GIVEN  
INCREASING CANADIAN EMPHASIS ON USER CHARGES IN ALL  
FORMS OF TRANSPORT, TCO CONSIDERS IT UNLIKELY GOC  
WILL AGREE TO FINANCE ITS SHARE OF BRIDGE ON OTHER  
THAN SELF-LIQUIDATING BOND BASIS.  
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